

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS, US ARMY SIGNAL CENTER AND FORT GORDON  
FORT GORDON, GEORGIA 30905**

**ATZH-BOSS**

**12 JUL 00**

**MEMORANDUM FOR CONCERNED PERSONNEL**

**SUBJECT:** Minutes from the Fort Gordon Better Opportunities for Single Service Members (BOSS) Committee Meeting.

1. The meeting was called to order by SGT Smith at 1530 hours, 12 July 00.

2. OLD BUSINESS

**SAVAGE GARDEN CONCERT (14 JUL 00):**

- All volunteers will be required to report to the concert site NLT 1600 hours. (Security personnel should report earlier if possible)
- Project Officer is SPC Ann Winkler.
- Glow necklace sales are banned due to possibility of injuries inflicted by throwing/whipping them.

2. NEW BUSINESS

**NEWCOMERS BRIEFING, 1 AUG 00**

- Ms. Pat Buchholz, Strategic Manager from the Garrison Cdr's office spoke briefly with the BOSS council about the upcoming Newcomers' Orientation on 1 Aug and requested BOSS participation and support in publicity.
- Flyers were distributed to all reps to be placed on the barracks doors promoting this event.
- BOSS reps are encouraged to make suggestions about what businesses/services they would like to see there. Suggestions should be forwarded to any of the executive council members.
- Personnel interested in manning the BOSS booth should contact the executive council.

**BOSS SOLDIER NAMED VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH (VOM)**

- SPC Paula Case, Area Dental Lab, was named Post VOM for July, 2000
- Ceremony will be held on 27 Jul 00, 0830 hours, Conrad Hall
- BOSS personnel are strongly encouraged to attend and support this accomplishment.

**NEXT MWR CONCERT:**

- The next MWR concert is August 13 from 1400-2300 featuring *Lynard Skynard*.
- BOSS will again be asked to provide volunteers. Excess volunteers from the July Concert will be given the opportunity to volunteer for this event.
- Interested personnel should give their names to their BOSS Rep ASAP, or e-mail a member of the executive council.

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#### **DFAC QUESTIONS/CONCERNS**

- Personnel have expressed concern about the changing hours at the DFACs. Breakfast hours don't allow enough time for personnel who only finish PT at 0730.
- BOSS Reps are encouraged to identify themselves when they have a question/concern about a DFAC and ask to see the Manager. *Remember, this should be done with tact, respect and courtesy.*
- A DFAC Council meeting will be held on 19 Jul 00, 0900 hours, DFAC #8. Personnel who have concern or comments are strongly encouraged to attend. This is our chance to be heard, let's use it.

#### **WHITEWATER RAFTING TRIP**

- Trip date is tentatively scheduled for late August/early September
- CTRSN Rettke will serve as the project officer.
- We are currently working with Eagle Adventure Ranch, located on the Ocoee River for a three-day trip that includes whitewater rafting, repelling and horseback riding.
- Currently, the cost is \$100-125.00 and includes both lodging (in cabins) and meals.
- More info will be made available at the next meeting. Interested personnel should contact their BOSS reps.

#### **BOSS POOL PARTY**

- BOSS discussed the possibility of hosting a pool party on 5 Aug 00 at the outdoor pool. This event would be open to single service members, but limited to pool area capacity.
- This party would include swimming and music from 1400-1600 hours, then the pool would be closed and BOSS would B-B-Q and poolside party from 1600-UTC.
- This event is still in the planning phase, pending pool availability and final approval.
- Interested personnel should see their unit rep for more info, or contact any member of the executive council.

#### **QUALITY OF LIFE (QOL) TASK FORCE**

- BOSS has established a task force to address all QOL issues. First priority is to compose a draft SOP that will outline what areas/issues must be addressed. This task force is responsible for researching all QOL issues addressed at BOSS meetings, and providing an informative and timely response.
- The following personnel will comprise this committee: SPC Case; Area Dental Lab, SPC Coles; 116<sup>th</sup> MI Group, SPC Sherman; 249<sup>th</sup> Gen Hosp, SGT Sanders; 63<sup>rd</sup> Sig Bn, and SGT Smith, DDEAMC.
- Personnel interested in being on this committee should e-mail CTRSN Rettke, committee chair, at [plouis@hotmail.com](mailto:plouis@hotmail.com). *It is our goal to have all major commands represented on this committee. **First Meeting: 19 Jul 00, 1500 hours, BOSS Hqs.***
- All units are being tasked to bring in a copy of their barracks SOP.

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**EVENT OPPORTUNITY AT GORDON CLUB**

- BOSS has been approached by the General Manager at the Gordon Club about coordinating a BOSS involvement in the Wednesday night 'Rock-n-roll Lounge' (Ground Zero) night club in the Gordon Club.
- Details will be discussed at the next meeting.

**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION**

- President: SGT April Smith, pager: 739-6071, [mskitty\\_323@yahoo.com](mailto:mskitty_323@yahoo.com)
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- Secretary: SPC Lorraine Reed, phone: 791-5688, [spcreed@hotmail.com](mailto:spcreed@hotmail.com)
- Treasurer: SPC Desiree Julius, phone: 787-9439, [desiree\\_julius@hotmail.com](mailto:desiree_julius@hotmail.com)

**NEW BOSS HEADQUARTERS**

- Work has continued on the new headquarters. The BOSS Headquarters area has begun to take shape, with new flooring and walls.
- Unit CDR's/ISG's are encouraged to stop and tour the area during a meeting.

3. Next meeting: 19 Jul 00, 1530 hours, New BOSS Headquarters (Old Officer's Club)

4. The following personnel attended this meeting:

**AREA DENTAL LAB**

SPC PAULA CASE

**DDEAMC**

SGT APRIL SMITH

**NSGA**

CTR3 PHILIP RETTKE

**201<sup>ST</sup> MI BN**

SPC LIZA NEGRON

**31IS**

SRA RICHARD BABIN

**202<sup>ND</sup> MI BATTALION**

PFC CALLION

SPC STEPHENS

**297<sup>TH</sup> MI BATTALION**

PFC APRIL ROSS

**338<sup>TH</sup> TRS DET**

TSGT RANDY AUBEL

**369<sup>TH</sup> SIGNAL BATTALION**

SPC LORRAINE REED

**434<sup>TH</sup> SIG BAND**

SPC JON HEDRICK

SPC ARTHUR COLE

**442<sup>ND</sup> SIG BN**

SPC JUSTIN TAYLOR

**116<sup>TH</sup> MI GROUP**

SPC GARY COLES

After a motion was made and seconded, SGT April Smith adjourned the meeting at 1650 hours, 12 Jul 00.

APRIL E. SMITH  
SGT, USA  
BOSS PRESIDENT

LORAIN L. REED  
SPC, USA  
BOSS SECRETARY